IN THE CLAIMS

A listing of the claims of the present application is as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for use in a client/server environment of generating a user-interactive application that is dynamically partitionable when deployed in the client/server environment, the method comprising the steps of:

specifying that access to a model associated with the user-interactive application be performed through an application programming interface permitting location-independent allocation and access of model storage on the client and the server; and

specifying that access to view generating logic associated with the user-interactive application be performed through an application programming interface permitting location-independent allocation and access of view elements on the client and the server;

wherein partitioning of the user-interactive application is changeable during execution.

- 2. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein at least one of the application programming interface associated with the model and the application programming interface associated with the view generating logic comprises a process to create one or more elements.
- 3. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein at least one of the application programming interface associated with the model and the application programming interface associated with the view generating logic comprises a process to query one or more elements.
- 4. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein at least one of the application programming interface associated with the model and the application programming interface associated with the view generating logic comprises a process to delete one or more elements.
- 5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein at least one of the application programming interface associated with the model and the application programming interface associated with the

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view generating logic comprises a process to read at least one of a property and a state associated with one or more elements.

- 6. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein at least one of the application programming interface associated with the model and the application programming interface associated with the view generating logic comprises a process to update at least one of a property and a state associated with one or more elements.
- 7. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein one or more model elements associated with the user-interactive application are individually identifiable by respective associated keys.
- 8. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the one or more view elements associated with the user-interactive application are individually identifiable by respective associated keys.
- 9. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the application programming interface associated with the model has a structured lifecycle associated therewith.
- 10. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the application programming interface associated with the view generating logic has a structured lifecycle associated therewith.
- 11. (Currently Amended) Apparatus for deploying a user-interactive application in a client/server environment, the apparatus comprising:

a server having at least one processor operative to execute at least a portion of the user-interactive application, wherein the user-interactive application: (i) specifies that access to a model associated with the user-interactive application be performed through an application programming interface permitting location-independent allocation and access of model storage on a client device and the server; and (ii) specifies that access to view generating logic associated with the user-interactive application be performed through an application programming interface permitting

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location-independent allocation and access of view components on the client device and the server, wherein partitioning of the user-interactive application is changeable during execution.

- 12. (Previously Amended) The apparatus of claim 11, wherein the model and a controller logic associated with the user-interactive application execute on the server and at least one view generated by the view generating logic is rendered on the client device.
- 13. (Previously Amended) The apparatus of claim 11, wherein a controller logic associated with the user-interactive application executes on the client device.
- 14. (Previously Amended) The apparatus of claim 11, wherein a controller logic associated with the user-interactive application executes on the server.
 - 15. (Original) The apparatus of claim 11, wherein the client device comprises a web browser.
- 16. (Original) The apparatus of claim 11, wherein the client device comprises a personal digital assistant.
- 17. (Original) The apparatus of claim 11, wherein the view components encapsulate Java Swing components
- 18. (Original) The apparatus of claim 11, wherein elements associated with the model encapsulate EntityBeans of an Enterprise JavaBeans architecture.
- 19. (Original) The apparatus of claim 11, wherein the view generating logic renders a view in HyperText Markup Language.

20. (Currently Amended) Apparatus for deploying a user-interactive application in a client/server environment, the apparatus comprising:

a client device having at least one processor operative to execute at least a portion of the user-interactive application, wherein the user-interactive application: (i) specifies that access to a model associated with the user-interactive application be performed through an application programming interface permitting location-independent allocation and access of model storage on the client device and the server; and (ii) specifies that access to view generating logic associated with the user-interactive application be performed through an application programming interface permitting location-independent allocation and access of view components on the client device and the server; wherein partitioning of the user-interactive application is changeable during execution.

- 21. (Previously Amended) The apparatus of claim 20, wherein the model and a controller logic associated with the user-interactive application execute on the server and at least one view generated by the view generating logic is rendered on the client device.
- 22. (Previously Amended) The apparatus of claim 20, wherein a controller logic associated with the user-interactive application executes on the client device.
- 23. (Previously Amended) The apparatus of claim 20, wherein a controller logic associated with the user-interactive application executes on the server.
 - 24. (Original) The apparatus of claim 20, wherein the client device comprises a web browser.
- 25. (Original) The apparatus of claim 20, wherein the client device comprises a personal digital assistant.
- 26. (Original) The apparatus of claim 20, wherein the view components encapsulate Java Swing components

- 27. (Original) The apparatus of claim 20, wherein elements associated with the model encapsulate EntityBeans of the Enterprise JavaBeans architecture.
- 28. (Original) The apparatus of claim 20, wherein the view generating logic renders a view in HyperText Markup Language.
 - 29. (Currently Amended) A network-based system:
- a server having at least one processor responsive to a user-interactive application; and a client device having at least one processor responsive to the user-interactive application; wherein the user-interactive application: (i) specifies that access to a model associated with the user-interactive application be performed through an application programming interface permitting location-independent allocation and access of model storage on the client device and the server; and (ii) specifies that access to view generating logic associated with the user-interactive application be performed through an application programming interface permitting location-independent allocation and access of view components on the client device and the server; and further wherein partitioning of the user-interactive application is changeable during execution.
- 30. (Currently Amended) An article of manufacture for use in a computing device environment of generating a user-interactive application that is dynamically partitionable when deployed, comprising a machine readable medium containing one or more programs which when executed implement the steps of:

specifying that access to a model associated with the user-interactive application be performed through an application programming interface permitting location-independent allocation and access of model storage in accordance with execution of the user-interactive application; and

specifying that access to view generating logic associated with the user-interactive application be performed through an application programming interface permitting location-independent allocation and access of view components in accordance with execution of the user-interactive application;

wherein partitioning of the user-interactive application is changeable during execution.

31. (Currently Amended) A method for use in a computing device environment of generating a user-interactive application that is dynamically partitionable when deployed, the method comprising the steps of:

providing an application programming interface such that access to a model associated with the user-interactive application is performed through the application programming interface, and wherein the application programming interface permits location-independent allocation and access of model storage in accordance with execution of the user-interactive application; and

providing an application programming interface such that access to view generating logic associated with the user-interactive application is performed through the application programming interface, and wherein the application programming interface permits location-independent allocation and access of view components in accordance with execution of the user-interactive application;

wherein partitioning of the user-interactive application is changeable during execution.